

REMARKS

This responds to the Advisory Action dated January 13, 2005 and the Final Office Action dated October 19, 2004.

Claims 25-31 are hereby cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1-24 and 32-33 are now pending in the application.

In the Advisory Action dated January 13, 2005, the Examiner noted that claims 1-14 and 21-24 were allowable and that claims 25-31 stood rejected. Claims 15-20, 32, and 33 had been previously allowed. In response, Applicant has cancelled claims 25-31 without prejudice or disclaimer and reserves the right to prosecute the canceled claims in a continuation application.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612) 359-3267 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.


Respectfully submitted,

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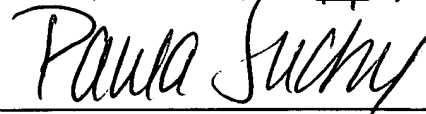
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